

REMARKS

Claims 1-18, 20-22, and 25-42 are pending in the present application. The applicant acknowledges the allowance of claims 20-22. Claims 1 and 25 have been amended. By telephone, the Examiner indicated that the amendment would overcome the current §§ 102, 103 rejections and that another prior art search would be conducted prior to allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. If there are any matters that can be resolved through an interview, the examiner is invited to contact the applicant's representative at the telephone number provided below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, except for the issue fee, to Deposit Account No.502596 (47079-00127).

Respectfully submitted,

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